



MILWAUKEE  
COUNTY

# YOUTH COMMISSION

**APPLY TODAY!**

## GET INVOLVED!

If you are age 14 to 18, actively enrolled in high school, and live in Milwaukee County, **you have a valuable perspective** and **we need you!**



### What is the Milwaukee County Youth Commission?

The Milwaukee County Youth Commission works in partnership with the Board of Supervisors and the County Executive to make advisory recommendations about policy and budgetary decisions and advance Milwaukee County's mission of achieving racial equity.

The commission consists of 20 members, age 14 to 18, who reside in Milwaukee County and are actively enrolled in high school.

## AMPLIFY YOUR VOICE!

The Milwaukee County Youth Commission provides young people in Milwaukee County a unique experience in community service, civic engagement, and policy and budget decision-making.

Youth commissioners receive \$12.50 per hour for participating in meetings and activities. In addition, commissioners receive technology support to participate in remote meetings as well as transportation and a meal for in-person meetings, which take place on weekdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The youth commission has direct access to a group of five adult advisors, one of which is appointed by the commission.

## APPLY NOW!

**Applications are due Friday, Sept. 30.**

Interviews will take place from Oct. 1 to 31, and selected candidates will be notified by Friday, Nov. 4.

Apply at [county.milwaukee.gov/youthcommission](https://county.milwaukee.gov/youthcommission)

Email [youthcommission@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:youthcommission@milwaukeecountywi.gov) if you have questions about the application process.





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## VALUES

**Milwaukee County believes that investing in the healthy development of young people has the most significant and lasting impact on our future.**

The Milwaukee County Youth Commission will provide a necessary perspective that is too often missing in policymaking processes and will result in policies, approaches, and solutions that are more inclusive, innovative, and impactful.

## HISTORY

- The Milwaukee County Youth Commission was first established in 2002. County Executive David Crowley served on the initial youth commission and credits this experience with sparking his passion for public service.
- In 2022, County Executive Crowley and Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson co-authored a resolution to revive the Milwaukee County Youth Commission.



**County Executive Crowley when he served on the Youth Commission**

## BENEFITS

- Unique experience in community service, civic engagement, and policy and budget decision-making.
- Technology support to participate in remote meetings.
- Door-to-door transportation and a meal for in-person meetings.
- Support from a group of five adult advisors, one of whom is appointed by the Youth Commission.

## GOALS

- Provide experience in the areas of community service, civic engagement, and policy and budget decision-making to Milwaukee County young people age 14 to 18.
- Advance the mission and vision of Milwaukee County to achieve racial and health equity and be the healthiest county in Wisconsin.

## STRUCTURE

- 20 youth commissioners consisting of:
- One for each of Milwaukee County's 18 districts.
- Two (who will serve as Co-Chairs) representing the County Executive and Board Chairperson.

## TERMS

- Half of the commissioners for the 2023–24 term will serve Jan. 2, 2023, to Jan. 1, 2024 (one year). The other half will serve Jan. 2, 2023, to Jan. 1, 2025 (two years).
- Maximum service is two consecutive two-year terms.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

- Obtain verbal parent/caregiver permission to apply.
- **Submit online application no later than 11:59 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 30, 2022.** Estimated time to complete the application is 15 to 20 minutes.
- Applicants will receive a confirmation message to the email address they provide. With technical difficulties with the application, email [youthcommission@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:youthcommission@milwaukeecountywi.gov).
- All applicants will receive a follow-up message regarding their application status. Some applicants will receive an invitation to interview with the initial selection committee.

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